

## 2 2021 Houston County Household & Business Waste — How to Dispose of it

### Drop-off Site Locations

#### Houston

Sat. 8 AM–3 PM; Mon. 10 AM–6 PM  
5154 County 9 (Go ¼ mile east on County 9 just off Hwy 76 north.)

#### Caledonia

Sat. 8 AM–3 PM; Wed. 10 AM–6 PM  
14750 Richard's Road (Turn west off Hwy 44 by Evergreen Cemetery. Go approximately 1 mile; take private driveway off curve.)

#### Spring Grove

Sat. 8 AM–3 PM; Wed. 10 AM–6 PM  
631 E. Main (East of Spring Grove on Hwy 44 at Houston County Highway Shop.)

#### Houston County Drop-off Site Locations



#### La Crescent

Sat. 8 AM–3 PM; Thurs. 10 AM–6 PM  
160 South 3rd St (Take Chestnut St. to south side of Flea Market; take F St. across the railroad tracks to site.)

#### Hokah

Sat. 8 AM–3 PM; Tues. 10 AM–6 PM  
5650 State 16 (Go 1 mile west of junction of Hwys 44 and 16 on Hwy 16.)

*Sites for use only by Houston County Residents and Commercial Businesses. Residents of cities should contact their municipality for additional information on trash and recycling services.*



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### Drop-off Site Materials

#### Charged Items (prices subject to change)

- Refuse (household garbage)
  - ~ 30 gal bag - \$2
  - ~ 45 gal bag - \$2.50
  - ~ \$2 min charge
- Demolition – the greater of \$0.15 per lbs. or \$18 per cubic yard
  - ~ e.g. sheetrock, shingles, concrete
- Large household items – the greater of \$0.15 per lbs. or \$18 per cubic yard
  - ~ e.g. furniture, carpeting
- Tires
  - ~ Auto off rim - \$2
  - ~ Auto on rim - \$6
  - ~ Semi/large truck/implement\* off rim - \$10
  - ~ Tractor\* off rim - \$20
  - \*not accepted on rim
- Mattresses and box springs
  - ~ Clean/recyclable - \$5
  - ~ Wet/soiled/unrecyclable - \$15
- Appliances
  - ~ Camper refrigerator (gas or ammonia) - \$20
  - ~ Uncleaned refrigerator - \$50



#### Free Items for Residents (fees may apply to businesses)

- Metal items
  - ~ e.g. lawn mowers, bed springs
- Appliances (emptied & cleaned)
  - ~ e.g. cleaned refrigerator
- E-Waste
  - ~ e.g. televisions, computers, electronics
- Rechargeable batteries
- Recyclables
  - ~ e.g. glass, tin cans, plastic # 1-2, and paper/fiber products (descriptions available on page 3)



#### Yard Waste

Each city has its own yard waste policies and programs. Contact your city hall for information (numbers provided below).

Brownsville	Caledonia	Eitzen	Hokah	Houston	La Crescent	Spring Grove
507-482-6732	507-725-3450	507-495-3017	507-894-4990	507-896-4033	507-895-2595	507-498-5221

#### Public Notice:

Houston County Materials Recovery Drop Site is a great place for area residents and small businesses to bring in their unwanted items for recycling, reuse or disposal. Oftentimes, unwanted items brought to the drop site are still useful. Quality, reusable items are separated and placed in an area where other customers can "shop" for free items for their use, and reducing the amount of recoverable items sent to the landfill. See Drop Site Supervisors or check the Houston County website, [www.co.houston.mn.us](http://www.co.houston.mn.us) for details of sites, such as where they are located and hours of operation. If you have questions, please call Houston County Environmental Services at 507-725-5800.



## What Can Be Recycled?



GLASS	TIN CANS	PLASTICS 	PAPER/FIBER PRODUCTS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Food and beverage glass only (soda, beer, wine and liquor bottles; food containers)</li> </ul> <p><i>Rinse clean and discard metal or plastic caps. Labels can remain..</i></p> <p><b>NO broken glass, window glass, mirrors, light bulbs, dishes, ceramic dishes or beer/wine caps, flower pots, crystal, heat-resistant ovenware, drinking glasses.</b></p>	<p><i>Rinse clean and flatten if possible. Labels can remain.</i></p> <p><b>NO aerosol cans.</b></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Empty bottles and jugs with necks. Number 1 or number 2 code must be stamped on the bottom of the container—for example, milk jugs and pop bottles.</li> </ul> <p><i>Remove and discard caps. Drain, rinse, and flatten.</i></p> <p><b>NO plastic bags or wrap, film containers, plastic pails, dishes, bubble wrap, storage baskets, flower pots.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Office paper, computer paper: Envelopes can have labels.</li> <li>Corrugated cardboard, cardboard egg cartons, cereal and juice boxes: <i>Flatten. NO styrofoam egg cartons.</i></li> <li>Newspapers (including glossy inserts), phone books:</li> <li>Books: <i>See Alternative Recycling Sources</i></li> <li>Magazines, catalogs</li> <li>Brown paper bags</li> </ul> 

## Alternative Recycling Sources

- Eyeglasses and hearing aids: *Lions Club*. Deposit in containers around town or at supervised drop-off sites.
- Beverage pull tabs: *Ronald McDonald Homes*. Deposit in containers around town.
- Greeting cards (front only): *St. Jude's Children's Ranch Recycled Card Program*. 100 St. Jude Street, Boulder City, NV 59005
- Used oil, oil filters, antifreeze: *Local oil stations* (call first).
- Household items and furnishings (clean, in good condition): *Houston County Women's Resources*. Call 507-894-2676. Tax receipt provided.
- Household items and construction materials: *Habitat for Humanity Restore* La Crosse 608-785-2373 Winona 507-474-6075
- Agricultural silage plastics and Bale Plastic Bags: For further information on this disposal, please contact Revolution Plastics at 844-490-7873 or [www.revolutionbag.com](http://www.revolutionbag.com)

## General Trash (Nonrecyclable)

### Paper, plastic, glass, styrofoam & household trash

NONRECYCLABLE PAPER	NONRECYCLABLE PLASTIC	STYROFOAM	NONRECYCLABLE GLASS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kleenex, paper towels, napkins</li> <li>Self-carbon paper (NCR)</li> <li>Posters/tagboard</li> <li>Padded shipping bags</li> <li>Wax paper/coated paper</li> <li>Gift wrap/bags</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Plastic containers marked #3-7</li> <li>Plastic containers (film, pill, ice cream, paint)</li> <li>Plastic wrap/bags/gift bags/bubble wrap</li> <li>Dishes/eating utensils</li> <li>Credit/calling cards</li> <li>Storage baskets</li> <li>Toys</li> <li>Flower pots</li> <li>12-pack beverage containers</li> </ul> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Coolers</li> <li>Insulation</li> <li>Packing peanuts</li> <li>Egg cartons</li> <li>Fast-food containers</li> <li>Cups</li> </ul> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Broken glass</li> <li>Window glass</li> <li>Mirrors</li> <li>Light bulbs (nonfluorescent)</li> <li>Cooking/ovenware</li> <li>Beverage glasses</li> </ul>
BATTERIES			CERAMICS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Regular alkaline, mananese, and carbon-zinc batteries</li> </ul>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ceramic items</li> <li>Clay flower pots</li> <li>Dishes</li> </ul>



## Disposing of Paint

Paint is not accepted at drop sites. Empty or hardened paint containers can be disposed of in the regular trash. Leftover and unwanted paint can be disposed of throughout the year through the Paintcare program – visit [paintcare.org](http://paintcare.org) for information.

During household hazardous waste events only, County residents can dispose of paint. Acceptable items in containers 1 gallon or smaller are no charge. Businesses should contact the County for additional information.



## Pharmaceutical Drop-Off

Medications are not accepted at drop sites. Medications can be disposed of in drop boxes located at the Houston County Sheriff's Office and the La Crescent Police Department throughout the year.

During household hazardous waste events only, County residents can dispose of medications.



## HHW Collection Household Hazardous Waste collection dates and locations

Sat May 22 • 2021  
Recycling Center  
Houston  
9 am - 1 pm

Sat Aug 14 • 2021  
La Crescent Drop-off Site  
9 am - 1 pm

For More Information On Recycling  
Disposal Call: 507-725-5800



Fluorescent and HID bulbs will be collected at each of the supervised drop-off sites on Sat. April 17, 2021 during regular hours of operation (9:00 am to 1:00 pm).